

(a). Same of 1/B 47/B 9/29/CC) PATENT

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:	) Group Art Unit: 1743
Jessop, Paul, M., et. al.	) Examiner: WARDEN, Jill
Serial No.: 09/196,524	)
Filed: November 20, 1998	)
Atty. File No.: 45825-01011 (formerly 3517.1	)
For: PIPETTE TIP PACKAGING AND TRANSFER SYSTEM	) ) )

## **AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 24, 2000, Applicants here enter certain amendments and present arguments to place this case in condition for allowance.

## IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please enter the following corrections to the specification:

At page 2, line 5, change "\§ 1.19(e)" to --- \§ 1.119(e)

At page 2/ine 5, change "1998" to --- 1997 ---.

At page 7, line 2, change "plate 20. The plate 10" to read -- plate 20. The plate 20 -- -.

At page 10, line 6, change "onto" to -- toward ---.

## IN THE CLAIMS

To the extent not already legally effected by the preliminary amendment mailed March 17, 2000, please cancel claim 1 and add the following claims. To the extent the preliminary amendment was entered, cancel claims 1 and 5 and amend claims 2 and 6: